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SUBJ: MBFR WORKING GROUP DISCUSSION OF NEGOTIATED INSPECTION

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REF: A) USNATO 5946; B) STATE 245598

1. AT REQUEST OF U.S. REP, WORKING GROUP REVIEWED DEC 18 ITS DRAFT REPORT ON NEGOTIATED INSPECTION (TEXT REF A). DRAWING FULLY ON GUIDANCE REF B, U.S. REP OBTAINED WG AGREEMENT TO WASHINGTON'S AMENDMENTS, WITH SINGLE EXCEPTION OF PROPOSAL TO DROP PARA 14 B.

2. MAJORITY OF REPS CONTINUED TO WISH TO HIGHLIGHT DESIRABILITY OF A MORE DENSE SYSTEM OF INSPECTION TEAMS IN REAR AREA OF PACT SIDE OF NGA. IN EFFORT TO BREAK CONSIDERABLE RESISTANCE TO U.S. PROPOSAL, U.S. REP SAID HE WOULD HAVE NO DIFFICULTY WITH PAPER IDENTIFYING POTENTIAL MILITARY ADVANTAGE OF A MORE DENSE MOBILE
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INSPECTION SYSTEM IN POLAND. WE COULD NOT ACCEPT, HOWEVER, A WG JUDGMENT AT THIS TIME THAT SUCH A SYSTEM SHOULD BE EXPLICITLY MORE DENSE THAN PROPOSED IN U.S. PAPER. COMPROMISE WAS FINALLY REACHED TO THE EFFECT THAT PARAS 13 AND 14 WILL BE MERGED, WITH

NEW PARA 13 LANGUAGE READING AS FOLLOWS: AFTER SECOND SENTENCE
IN CURRENT PARA 13 (ENDING WITH "... IN THE U.S. PAPER") BEGIN
NEW SENTENCE: "THE WORKING GROUP BELIEVE THAT FROM A STRICTLY
TECHNICAL AND MILITARY VIEWPOINT, IT WOULD BE TO NATO'S ADVANTAGE
TO ACHIEVE THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF TEAMS WHICH COULD BE TOLERATED
ON A BASIS OF DIRECT RECIPROCITY BY THOSE NATIONS DIRECTLY
AFFECTED BY THE PRESENCE OF THE TEAMS. BEARING IN MIND THE
MILITARY ADVANTAGES, INCLUDING WARNING TIME, WHICH WOULD ACCRUE,
THE RELATIVE DENSITY OF TEAMS IN POLAND COULD WELL BE HIGHER THAN
SPECIFIED IN THE U.S. PAPER. IN VIEW OF THE LAST POINT, AND
BECAUSE OF THE CONSIDERABLE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TOTAL
OF 24 TO 28 TEAMS AND 130 TEAMS, A SYSTEMATIC INVESTIGATION
TO ASSESS THE TEAMS REQUIRED IS NEEDED."

PARA 14 NOW FALLS AWAY. WG REPS SAID THEY COULD ACCEPT COMPROMISE
LANGUAGE ON-THE-SPOT. WE THINK SOLUTION IS ACCEPTABLE AND PROPOSE
TO ENDORSE IT AT NEXT WG MEETING, DEC 28, UNLESS WASHINGTON
INSTRUCTS OTHERWISE.

3. U.S. REP DREW FULLY ON PARA 2F OF REF B AND EVENTUALLY BROUGHT
WG AROUND TO DELETING PARA 18 OF REF A TEXT IN TOTO. MCAULIFFE

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